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- 11. (SBU) Ambassador Stapleton, accompanied by Russian Ambassador Alexander Avdeev, delivered reftel demarche to French Foreign Minister Douste-Blazy. The Minister gave a private preliminary statement of support in principle, noting France's own concerns about nuclear terrorism. France, Douste-Blazy said, was already strongly supporting efforts underway at the UN to protect against nuclear terrorism. The Russian Ambassador left a non-paper with the Minister (translated reftel talking points) who promised a speedy reply. Post is following up with appropriate MFA officials on public statements of support.
- 12. (U) Embassy's "Global Initiative Coordinating Officer" will be John L. Espinoza, classified email: EspinozaJL@state.class; unclassified email: EspinozaJohnL@state.gov; home email: EspinozaJohnL@msn.com; Office Phone: 33.(0)1.43.12.25.15; Home Phone: 33.(0)1.45.44.20.53; Mobile Phone: 33.(0)6.20.43.86.88. Backup Officer will be William Wells, who arrives at post in late August. Please visit Paris' Classified Website at: http://www.state.sgov.gov/p/eur/paris/index.c fm

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